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August 1, 2005

Harry Steinmetz  
United States Environmental Protection Agency  
Region 3  
1650 Arch Street  
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RE: Safety Light Corporation Site  
Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Steinmetz:

I am writing to confirm the substance of our telephone conversation of July 29, 2005, regarding the request for information in the matter identified above. We discussed two issues: (1) the possibility of an extension of time within which to respond and (2) the possibility that one of the Safety Light ledgers could apply to activities of another university in Maryland.

The original letter requires the University to respond "within **30 calendar days** of [our] receipt of this letter." You agreed to extend the response time an additional thirty (30) days, to the extent you have authority to grant an extension. The University received EPA's request on July 26, 2005. If your offer of an extension is confirmed, the University would have until September 26, 2005 to submit a written response.

The other point we discussed is that the ledger identified "001183" contains no identification to indicate it applies to the University of Maryland, College Park. In fact, there is no information on ledger 001183 to link it to any entity. I will assume there is some basis to believe the ledger relates to a "University of Maryland." It became clear during our conversation, however, that EPA might not have been aware that the "University of Maryland, College Park" is one of three public universities in the state whose name includes "University of Maryland." Two of those existed at the time covered in ledger 001183: University of Maryland, Baltimore, which houses a medical school (<http://www.umaryland.edu/>), and University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, which offers engineering and science programs (<http://www.umes.edu/>). If College Park is unable to locate any documentation or information related to ledger 001183 and EPA is certain that ledger applies to a "University of Maryland," there may be two explanations: (1) the ledger applies to the University of Maryland, College Park but we no longer have any records of the activity or (2) the ledger applies to the University of Maryland, Baltimore or the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, in which case you may want to contact them.

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Please provide written confirmation of the extension if you are able. We will begin our search here promptly. If you have questions, you may contact me by telephone at 301-405-2211, by E-mail ([abowden@umd.edu](mailto:abowden@umd.edu)), or by letter addressed to Office of Legal Affairs, 2101 Main Administration, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland 20742.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anne Bowden", with a stylized, flowing script.

Anne Bowden  
University Counsel



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